### In the Claims:

### Claim 1 (currently amended):

- 1 1. A ratchet device comprising:
- a control body provided with an axial hole, two sets of symmetrical grooves located in
- proximity of said axial hole, and two sets of symmetrical arresting members disposed in
- 4 said symmetrical grooves;
- a ratchet body provided with a toothed portion and disposed rotatably in said axial hole
- of said control body in such a manner that said toothed portion is engaged with said
- 7 symmetrical arresting members; and
- a shifter provided with four actuation elements and joined with said control body such that
- 9 said actuation elements are corresponding in location to said symmetrical arresting
- members;
- wherein said control body is provided with a slot, a spring disposed in said slot, and a ball
- disposed in said slot, and said shifter is provided with a plurality of locating slots for
- locating said ball of said control body.

### Claim 2 (original):

- 1 2. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said arresting members of said control
- body are formed of a pawl and a spring.

#### Claim 3 (original):

- 1 3. The ratchet device as defined in claim 2, wherein said pawl is provided at one end with
- an actuation projection corresponding in location to one of said actuation elements of said
- shifter, and at other end with a tongue engageable with said toothed portion of said ratchet

## 4 body.

## Claim 4 (original):

- 1 4. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said symmetrical arresting members are
- disposed in said symmetrical grooves of said control body in such a way that the diagonal
- line of an arresting end of said arresting members passes a central axial line of said
- 4 control body.

# Claim 5 (original):

- 1 5. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said ratchet body is further provided
- with a tip portion and a connection portion, with said tip portion being extended from one
- end of said toothed portion and having a socket, said connection portion being extended
- from other end of said toothed portion and located in said control body.

# Claim 6 (original):

- 1 6. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said actuation elements of said shifter
- are provided with a retaining slot whereby said retaining slot has two end faces
- corresponding in location to two of said symmetrical arresting members.

## Claim 7 (canceled):

- 1 7. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said control body is provided with a
- slot, a spring disposed in said slot, and a ball disposed in said slot; wherein said shifter
- is provided with a plurality of locating slots for locating said ball of said control body.

#### Claim 8 (original):

1 8. The ratchet device as defined in claim 1, wherein said shifter is securely joined with said

2 control body in conjunction with a locking ring.

# Claim 9 (currently amended):

- 1 9. A ratchet device comprising: a control body provided with two sets of arresting members symmetrical to each other;
- a ratchet body provided with a toothed portion and fitted over said control body such that
- said toothed portion is engaged with said arresting members of said control body; and
- a shifter provided with four actuation elements and fitted over said ratchet body such that
- said actuation elements are corresponding in location to said arresting members of said
- 7 control body;
- wherein said control body is provided with a slot, a spring disposed in said slot, and a ball
- 9 disposed in said slot; wherein said shifter is provided with a plurality of locating slots for
- locating said ball of said control body

# Claim 10 (original):

- 1 10. The ratchet device as defined in claim 9, wherein said ratchet body is provided with a tip
- 2 portion extending from one end of said toothed portion whereby said tip portion is used
- 3 to fit the tip of a tool.